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## (IN BRIEF)

### STATE

#### Judge may keep videos out of Texas fight case

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — A judge said Monday that she planned to keep a cell phone containing videos of orchestrated fights at a Texas facility for the mentally disabled out of evidence unless prosecutors find case law to change her mind.

District Judge Sandra Watts said she would likely grant a motion by a former employee at the Corpus Christi State School to suppress the evidence because it was essentially stolen property.

### NATION

#### Big nuclear cuts in sight

MOSCOW (AP) — Presidents Barack Obama and Dmitry Medvedev confidently committed to a year-end deal to slash nuclear stockpiles by about a third on Monday, but the U.S. leader failed to crack stubborn Kremlin objections to America's missile defense plans — a major stumbling block to such an agreement.

Both men renewed pledges to pull U.S.-Russian relations out of the dismal state into which they had descended during the eight years of the Bush administration.

### WORLD

#### Police restore order in China; 156 killed

URUMQI, China (AP) — Chanting "Strike down the criminals," hundreds of paramilitary police with shields, rifles and clubs took control of the streets Monday in the capital of western China's Muslim region, a day after the deadliest ethnic violence in decades.

State media said at least 156 people were killed in the unrest, which did not bode well for China's efforts to mollify long-simmering ethnic tensions between the minority Uighur people and the ethnic Han Chinese in Xinjiang — a sprawling region three times the size of Texas that shares borders with Pakistan, Afghanistan and other Central Asian countries.

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U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

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## Texas Tech raises tuition nearly 10 percent

By ALEX YBARRA  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

During last week's Texas Tech University System Board of Regents' meeting, Tech Chancellor Kent Hance used a sports analogy to assess the hike in tuition for the upcoming fall and spring semesters.

"Last year, I think we did the right thing," he said in regards to freezing tuition in 2008-09. "I wish we'd been rewarded more for it, but



HANCE

we weren't. So as they say in golf, you gotta play the ball where it lies."

With the Texas Legislature appropriating less money to the university than anticipated, the ball is in the rough. Therefore, regents approved a 9.9 percent increase in tuition and fees to increase faculty



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salary pay, allow for more scholarships and increase research goals.

For students taking 15 or more credit hours, the total hike in tuition is \$351 a semester, in which \$283 goes toward Tech's academic mission and \$68 to fee increases.

According to a press release,

the fee increases are a \$10 Student Recreational Center fee approved by student vote for the Student Leisure Pool, \$6 in transportation fee to provide students with bus services, \$22.50 in the information technology fee and a \$60 increase in the library fee which is coupled with a \$30 decrease in energy fees.

Even with the increase in tuition, Hance said Tech still provides more bang for your buck education-wise than other schools in the state.

Suzanne Williams, president

of the Student Government Association at Tech, said she believes students knew an increase was approaching after freezing it in the past, but it was unfortunate Tech was not compensated for it.

"I do think it was kind of disappointing," she said. "I know that the administration really had high hopes, that with us following through with freezing tuition that we would receive some pat on the back, some benefit

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## Running down a dream

Former Texas Tech track star Leigh Daniel wins wedding of lifetime on TODAY show contest

By ALEX YBARRA  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



ILLUSTRATION BY YULIA MAKAROVA/The Daily Toreador

Unaware of where they were headed, long-distance runners Leigh Daniel and Nick Cordes were kicked out of an Olympic training program for dating several years ago.

But in the past few weeks, the couple's once forbidden romance was revisited on national television and eventually captured the nation in what has been a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Daniel, who won two national championships at Texas Tech in 1999 — indoor 5,000 meters and outdoor 10,000 meters — and her fiancé recently won the 10th annual "TODAY Show Throws a Wedding" series, setting up a live marriage July 15 in New York City. Viewers will select and vote for the wedding dress, attire, rings, and honeymoon beginning this week.

"I think it's a huge sense of relief more than anything else," said Daniel, a Lubbock native who coaches cross country and track and field with Cordes at Ashland University in Ashland, Ohio. "Just the last few weeks have been a whirlwind of ups and downs trying to get votes and flying back and forth. So it's just like, 'Whew, this part of things is over with.' Obviously I'm super excited to pull off a win."

It wasn't all that surprising, considering the competitive nature of the two. Cordes, who graduated from Ashland University in 2003, was a seven-time All-American and came close to winning a national championship in long distance running several times.

"I certainly don't know that anybody wanted to win anymore than we did," said Daniel, who compared competing for a wedding on national television to running for a national title.

"I was still nervous, don't get me wrong," she said. "I definitely have felt that feeling before. I'd like to think that it prepared me a little more than somebody who hasn't been in that situation."

Daniel said Cordes is "10 times more competitive" than she is, and judging by how Cordes thought of detailed scenarios prior to being on television, she may have been right.

But Cordes said he just wanted to make sure nothing came as a surprise to avoid "being caught on air or embarrassed or cry or

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## Students gather to strengthen, support Iranian protestors

By HANNAH BOEN  
STAFF WRITER

Since the debated election on June 12 announced Mahmoud Ahmadinejad as president of Iran, Texas Tech research associate Masoud Zabet-Moghaddam has watched his countrymen endure suppression and violent protests.

All of his family still lives in Iran, he said, which makes it difficult to witness through the U.S. media the treatment of the his people.

"It's hard to see what's happening," he said, "to see people being beaten and killed. They're not asking for something huge, just fairness. It's very, very hard to see your countrymen being killed in front of you and you can't do

anything about it."

Protests ensued several weeks ago due to the disputed election results, with protestors rallying behind opposition leader Mir Hossein Mousavi. His supporters, wearing green bands, took to the streets protesting in Tehran for days. Some were killed, including Neda Agha-Soltan, whose death, caught on camera, has swept the Internet and even caught President Barack Obama's attention.

Now, Zabet-Moghaddam said, it is no longer about the election, but about basic human freedoms he believes everyone should enjoy.

With the help of the Students for Global Connections, he decided to host a candlelight vigil to raise awareness and support Iranians who are in

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PHOTO COURTESY OF DENNY MINGUS

CANDLES SPELL IRAN for a memorial during a candlelight vigil last week on Texas Tech's campus in which students and supporters gathered to raise awareness for the social revolution going on in Iran. The vigil showed support for Iranians who live in the U.S. as well as abroad.

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GARDEN GROVE



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AMANDA DELGADO, A senior landscape architecture and horticulture major from Slaton, waters plants inside the greenhouse on Texas Tech's campus Monday morning.

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from it. In a sense, it really did not follow through with what we had hoped.

"At the same time, it just proved to the students that the administration really is looking out for their best interest and wanting to make sure they are being conducive to what the students really desire."

During the meeting, Hance and Tech President Guy Bailey pointed out how far Tech has fallen behind in faculty salaries when compared to other state schools, particularly tier-one status or emerging research universities.

Hance said the average faculty salaries at University of Texas at Austin, University of Texas at Dallas and Texas A&M are \$109,000, \$108,000 and \$96,000, respectively.

Tech's average is \$78,000. So out of the seven emerging universities vying for research status, Tech is next to last and only above

University of Texas at El Paso, Hance said.

During a time when Tech should be making a push for tier-one status, the school is losing its most highly-funded faculty members in psychology and education, Bailey said.

"We simply can't keep pace without the revenue in keeping the best faculty there," he said. "The quality of the university depends on the quality of the faculty. Without being able to retain our best faculty, there's really no way we can compete at all."

With \$3.56 million geared toward enrollment enhancement, or scholarships, and \$2 million going toward research goals, the rest of the money raised by the increased tuition will benefit faculty salaries. Merit-based pay increases will average 3 percent, which could range from zero to 7 percent depending on written evaluations by deans and directors, Bailey said.

"What that would enable us to do is not fall further behind," he said. "We wouldn't make up any ground. This budget doesn't help

us make up ground. It does keep us from falling further behind."

Jim Brunjes, vice chancellor and chief financial officer, said there are three Texas universities giving 3 percent raises, with most around 2 percent.

Regent Rick Francis said during the meeting the recent process of keeping tuition low in hopes of increasing student enrollment has not worked. Also, Francis said there's no middle ground when setting tuition rates that hinge on how the Legislators appropriates money.

"They pushed that monkey onto our back; we aspire to be a tier-one university and provide a level of education as a beacon out in West Texas at a time where they're not funding us to do it," he said. "We're gonna have a self-fulfilling prophecy of a second-rate university if we don't look at the levers of creating the destiny we're trying to achieve. We've tried it one way for a number of years, and we're forced to look at other avenues as we push for tier-one status."

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# Students share mixed views on tuition raise

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Students expressed concern over the recent increase in the cost of tuition, with one student saying the raise was "unacceptable."

The Texas Tech Board of Regents announced on June 29 an increase in tuition rates for the 2009-2010 school year, raising it 9.9 percent, or \$351 for a 15-credit hour semester, according to a press release.

In the press release, the university said the increase was necessary "to continue to maintain and elevate the quality of (our) undergraduate and graduate programs as well as to obtain (our) goals of growing enrollment and research funding."

Curtis Henderson, a senior biology major from Arlington, said tuition increases were too much with the current economic status.

"It's just unacceptable," he said. "School already costs too much and when the economy is not its best it's putting too much strain on people."

Henderson said it was even harder to pay for school when the increase was added to the additional cost of other school necessities, such as text books.

"(Tuition) needs to stay the same

for at least the next four year," he said. "I remember when I started four years ago I could get books for all my classes for (around \$500), and now it's closer to \$800."

Other students agreed with Henderson. Haley Rutherford, a senior personal financial planning major, said she did not see why an increase was necessary.

"I don't understand what the money is going towards," the Amarillo native said. "It's difficult to come up with money as it is, and we were not given enough time."

Rutherford also said the increase was ill-timed because of the ailing economy.

"(President Barack) Obama passed some education bill that's supposed to give us more money," she said. "Yet banks aren't lending, and it makes it really hard to make ends meet. It really puts us in a pickle."

Rutherford, who works at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center, sees daily one of the reasons tuition will increase this year. According to the press release, a \$10 increase was added to the Student Recreation fee, which was approved by a student vote, for the completion of the Leisure Pool, which opened in May.

Suzanne Williams, president of the

Student Government Association, which approved the fee increase, said in a separate interview with *The Daily Toreador* the raise was expected as other universities had similar increases.

"I believe that students knew there would be an increase. Looking at all the other universities and the rate that the majority all increased their tuition based off of the economic status we're in right now," she said. "But also just the decreased state funding that universities asked for and they received less than that."

Other fee increases cited in the press release were a \$6 increase in transportation, a \$22.50 increase for technology and a \$60 increase for the library. The university decreased the energy fee by \$30 to offset some of the library fee's increase.

One student said the increase was troubling, but necessary because of the university's aspirations.

"It's unfortunate. We pay for a lot, and we don't need to go up 9.9 (percent)," Matt Bergstab, a sophomore business administration major from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, said. "They are doing a lot of good, though — new buildings around campus and other construction. I guess it's a necessary evil."

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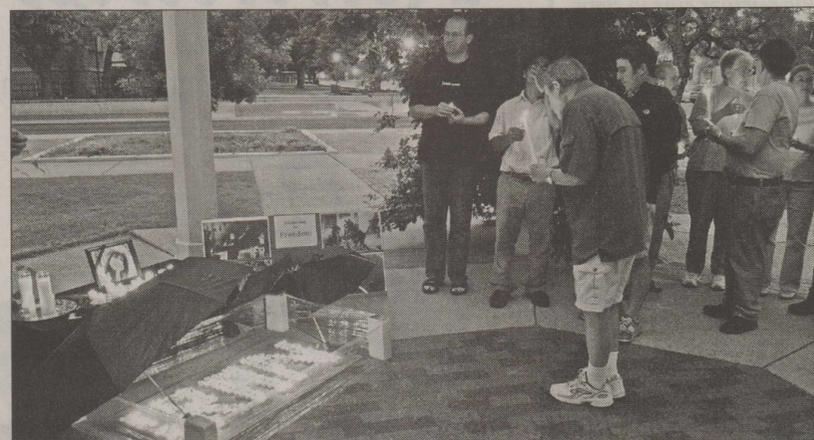


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SUPPORTERS GATHER DURING the candlelight vigil that took place last week on Texas Tech's campus.

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the U.S. and abroad. The vigil was at 9 p.m. June 28 in the free speech area by the Student Union Building.

Sylecia Putman, Students for Global Connections president and senior in international studies from Victoria, said the purpose of the stu-

dent organization is to promote global connections and give international students a home away from home.

The support for international students was shown through the candlelight vigil, she said, which strengthened and encouraged Iranian students and natives.

"It was quite the international outcome," she said of the event. "I know people really cared and wanted to come support them by the number

of students and community members that attended."

Putman said she knows several Iranian students whose family and friends have been victims of abuse in Iran, making it difficult for them to be away from home.

"They were so thankful for the support," she said. "I couldn't say I know what they're feeling, but they have definitely been affected by the outpouring of love."

The event drew the attention of community members and students from several countries, she said, and also from International Affairs Vice Provost Ambassador Tibor Nagy, who attended the event.

The university has between 1,300 and 1,400 international students from about 100 countries during each long semester, Nagy said, and whether a student is from abroad or from West Texas, each of them should be concerned with the situation in Iran.

Independence Day, which the U.S. celebrated shortly after the vigil was hosted, is a time to reflect upon the freedom provided in the US, he said, and better understand that everyone is deserving of some independence of their own.

"I was a U.S. diplomat for over 30 years and spent 25 years in Africa," he said. "I haven't met anyone who doesn't desire freedom and liberty in their hearts. It's imperative for a stable world that every country has an opportunity to have its own July 4th."

Nagy said he recognized the importance of government officials being supportive and sympathetic toward the Iranian people, however, it does not match the kindness and compassion of neighbors and community members.

"People in Iran are showing their desire for democracy," he said. "It's one thing to see support from a big American city with a large Iranian population. It's something else for a community like Lubbock, Texas to go out and commemorate what's happening."

Zabet-Moghaddam said he appreciates the kindness of those who participated in the candlelight vigil and hopes students will continue to be aware and supportive of the Iranian's desire for democracy.

"There is something the same in every person, no matter where they're from," he said. "It's very interesting and very beautiful. We're all human beings and we all deserve some basic human rights."

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Puzzles by PageFiller

In Sudoku, all the numbers 1 to 9 must be in every row, column and 3 x 3 box. Use logic to define the answers.

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something that would humiliate us.”

“Every single show I was like OK, ‘Just take a deep breath Nick, don’t get too crazy because you’re gonna get us voted off the show like taking people out or showing your competitive side too much,’” Daniel said.

With the couple’s running experience, both were looking forward to the physical challenges rather than the others, such as identifying a love song after hearing anchors Matt Lauer and Meredith Vieira read a short lyric.

Then Cordes and Daniel got the obstacle course they were waiting for, except it turned out to be more difficult than they thought. The jumped out to an early lead, but a mishap with one of the stations cost them the victory.

They weren’t used to losing races.

“The obstacle course was the coolest because you’re being active, running around trying to figure out things,” Cordes said. “The only thing that wasn’t fun about it was we lost. We went from a huge lead to losers.”

But with viewers voting for the winning couple, there was only so much Daniel and Cordes could do as far as competing on the show. That’s where Cordes’ quick thinking came into play.

He contacted track and field and cross-country coaches within his conference, radio stations across the country and even went as far as having someone message all Division II track and field coaches.

“This is totally amazing,” he said, “but not something anybody could do on their own. So we just feel really fortunate.”

Aside from everything directly involved with competing on national television, Daniel acknowledged the best moments were catching up with old friends and realizing just how much support was out there for her — particularly in West Texas.

“I felt lucky just because Lubbock has always supported me in everything, especially with athletics, but in general Texas Tech,” she said. “I didn’t know how much the outpour of support I would get from the Tech alumni and students now and the faculty, just Lubbock. The media has just been unbelievable, I truly believe that’s why we won.”

Another reason viewers may have found the couple so interesting could be the background story of how they met. The two were involved in an Olympic training program in Rochester, Mich., after Daniel graduated from Tech.

The rules were strict in the camp, which had a men’s and women’s house completely separated for training purposes. There was no tolerance for dating, which became a problem after Daniel was the only girl riding in the men’s vehicle on the way to the Chicago marathon one day.

Sitting next to her was Cordes, who she flirted with the whole trip.

“So we got to talk, and he just was cracking me up the whole way there,” she said. “Of course by the time we got there I was like, ‘Oh no, this is not good.’ I could tell that I really liked him, and I didn’t expect to have those feelings — especially that quickly.”

The pair enjoyed being in each other’s company, and eventually someone from the team found out and alerted the coaches. Daniel and Cordes, who weren’t officially dating yet, were given an ultimatum: leave the program or quit seeing each other.

“It was a no brainer. We’d only been liking each other for a couple weeks so it was like, ‘It’s not a big deal, we’ll stop talking,’” Daniel

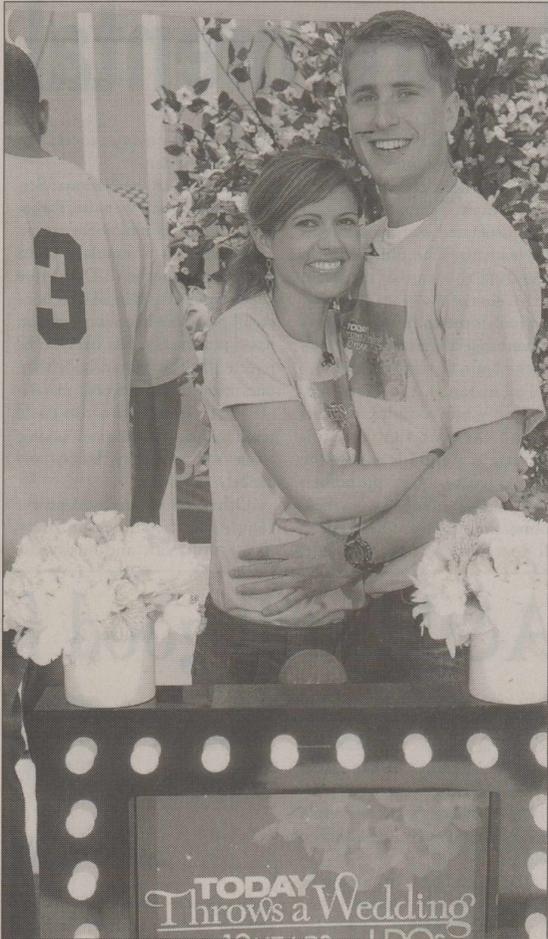


PHOTO COURTESY OF LEIGH DANIEL AND NICK CORDES  
THE WINNING COUPLE on “TODAY Show Throws a Wedding,” Leigh Daniel and Nick Cordes, pose for a photo on set in New York City.

said. “At that point, they said there was to be no contact between the men and women’s team period. So it went from no dating to zero contact at all.”

They followed the rules for as long as they could before they started emailing and calling each other to schedule dates. They would sneak around the city, meeting up at grocery stores trying to avoid seeing teammates or coaches.

Cordes said it felt like they were under surveillance from the whole town.

When he visited her work, he would sit in the corner and have a newspaper ready to pull in front of his face if someone familiar walked in, he said.

“It was like something you’d see in a movie, something ridiculous,” he said. “It was almost like a bad comedy movie.”

After a year and a half of private dating, coaches confronted the couple again. The pair admitted

the relationship and was kicked off the team, leaving Olympic dreams behind for the moment.

“We were very poor, just weren’t sure what we wanted to do,” Daniel said of their situation before they were offered the coaching positions at Ashland University.

Considering the two are just more than a week away from experiencing a dream wedding, it looks as if they have been running in the right direction all along.

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## SPARKS OF ENTHUSIASM



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FOR THE FOURTH of July, Tech student Cathy Corcoran, a senior petroleum engineering major from Boerne, sets fireworks at Chuck’s Discount City Fireworks to get extra money during the holidays.

## Oldest Christian Bible gets digitized

LONDON (AP) — The surviving pages of the world’s oldest Christian Bible have been reunited — digitally.

The early work known as the Codex Sinaiticus has been housed in four separate locations across the world for more than 150 years. But starting Monday, it became available for perusal on the Web at [www.codexsinaiticus.org](http://www.codexsinaiticus.org) so scholars and other readers can get a closer look at what the British Library calls a “unique treasure.”

“(The book) offers a window into the development of early Christianity and firsthand evidence of how the text of the Bible was transmitted from generation to generation,” said Scot McKendrick, head of Western manuscripts at the British Library.

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## Synthetic brain could cure mental illness

By **MARK GUERRA**  
GUEST COLUMNIST

Prosthetic devices have come a long way since the hook and cable arm, the peg leg, and the ever popular eye patch. In fact, since 2007, we have seen an athlete try to compete in the Summer Olympics with metal legs, the first robotic arm controlled by a user's nervous system entered clinical trials and a complete artificial heart costs less than most people's houses — around \$175,000.

However, treating neurological and mental disorders is not as easy as dealing with a physical injury. We can't look at the brain and

see how it works. That would be like opening up a computer and trying to figure out which part controls the mouse. Thankfully, functional magnetic resonance imaging, fMRI, techniques have given us a way to chemically measure the brain. All the patient has to do is go about their normal activities and we can record the brain's chemical responses to the environment's stimuli.

This method of trying to understand and treat brain disorders and injuries is quite tedious.

Imaging techniques also give little hope for correcting serious brain injuries due to head impacts, strokes and heart attacks. Also,

the data from the fMRI's must be put through computer simulations, which do not behave like a real brain. Although we have come a long way with prosthetics, until we can correct brain ailments, we are far from where we need to be.

Here is where University of Southern California electrical engineers Chongwu Zhou and Alice Parker step in. Knowing that brain imaging can only take us so far, Parker and Zhou are doing the unthinkable — making a synthetic brain.

"It may take decades to realize anything close to the human brain but emulating pieces of the brain,

such as a synthetic vision system or parts of the brain's cortex will be possible within decades," Parker said.

The brain's cortex is the part most associated with motor skills and learning. The difficulties in recreating this part of the brain are because of the brain's plasticity, which is the ability for neurons to rearrange themselves in order for the brain to stay efficient.

For instance, the brain will develop more complex circuits around the part that controls language if a child is exposed to many languages. Also, the brain is a 3-Dimensional object, so these connections constantly change in all directions; a computer model

just can't emulate this process like a 3-D circuit can.

According to the National Science Foundation's Web site, Parker believes carbon nanotubes are an ideal material to emulate brain function because their 3-D structure allows connectivity in all directions on all planes and because a carbon based prosthesis is less likely to be rejected by the human body than one made from inorganic materials. But their invasive nature could result in them invading surrounding tissue and prompting lesions and cancers, she said.

Other issues include power requirements, since the brain never shuts off, and answering

some of humanities age old questions such as, "What is the mind and how does it affect the brain's performance?"

Parker also believes that emotions play a huge part in the brain's ability to learn.

"Based on what I know right now, emotions would have to be included for a synthetic brain to be able to learn," Parker said. "It's important to understand their cause and effect."

There is no guarantee creating a synthetic brain will be possible, but the hope of one day curing mental illness, brain injuries and neurological disorders gives many reasons to try.

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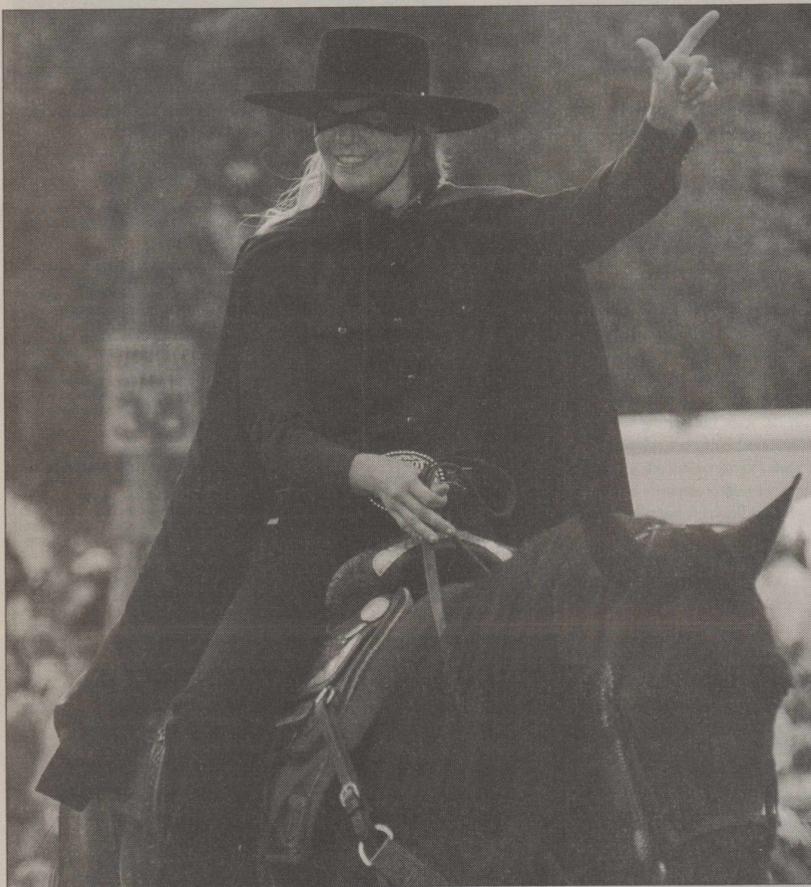
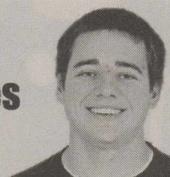


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THE MASKED RIDER, Brianne Aucutt-Hight, a senior animal science major from Clovis, N.M., rides Midnight Matador at the 4th on Broadway parade Saturday. The event featured the parade and musical acts, which let Lubbock residents dance in the streets.

### A&M still good for laughs

**Ben Jones**



In case you haven't heard, our beloved brothers in College Station are at it again. Just last week, the Texas A&M Faculty Senate gave a 55-9 no confidence vote to Chancellor Mike McKinney, just two weeks after university President Elsa Murano resigned.

The move highlights a running conflict between the university's faculty and administration and seems to have roots that begin in Austin.

Murano's resignation followed a scathing hand-written review of her leadership from McKinney, who suggested A&M combine the chancellor and president positions.

Murano, whose tenure at the position lasted only a year and a half after former President Robert Gates left to become the U.S. secretary of defense, was respected and admired by faculty because of her willingness to incorporate their opinions in university decision making.

Yet the vote against McKinney is the latest drama out of the university that seems to be struggling to find leadership.

But Texas Tech fans should be no strangers to McKinney. It was just eight years ago that Tech beat A&M in football and Tech fans casually threw a torn down goalpost into the stands. Rick Perry's then-chief of staff, McKinney, whose son Seth McKinney was an Aggie center, stormed into the A&M locker room with a bloody face yelling "Welcome to Tech," apparently hit during a post-game melee between students.

However, an investigation into

the incident revealed McKinney was actually pushing an A&M student into the metal guardrails surrounding the field when the student hit him in an attempt to escape McKinney's swinging binoculars. Despite the investigation, McKinney called out the Tech administration, claiming the report was a "cover up" and that "the administration had failed."

It seems ironic that today we can discuss McKinney's description of administrative failure, for it is he who sits in the administrative seat, without any apparent support from his own staff. While McKinney has shown an amazing ability to start feuds with his fellow Aggies, he doesn't seem to be doing himself any favors.

On June 13, after Murano's resignation, the *Austin American-Statesman* suggested Perry is influencing the events taking place at A&M, possibly in an attempt to secure his post-gubernatorial plans.

Perry has appointed all nine members of the Texas A&M Board of Regents, has several former staff workers in the administration (including McKinney) and claims the university as his alma-mater. His ties to the university run deep.

Whatever the reasoning behind the events, its obvious A&M couldn't afford to lose Murano. In fact, Murano

represented everything good about A&M.

Her mere presence as the first female and Hispanic president in the 132-year history of the university did anything but push the staid nature of the university. And just 12 months into her term, even she recognized the impossibility of the task given to her. In the middle of her typed, 10-page response to McKinney's report, Murano listed six goals not yet accomplished, the last of which regarded the budget deficit of the athletic department.

Apparently, Gates had extended a \$16 million line of credit to the athletic department to help fix the situation before he left, however the department hasn't made good on its promise to become self-sufficient and remains in a deficit with only six months left on the loan.

Now if the athletic department can't fix itself in a year with an extra \$16 million dollars and an 89,000-seat football stadium, how can Murano possibly survive?

Despite McKinney's recent efforts to help improve faculty and administrative communication, he has further severed the ties between himself and his fellow Aggies.

While here at Tech we continue to push for flagship status, pushing our endowment and research to newer and greater heights, the Aggies continue to humor us. Welcome to A&M.

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### Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

**ACROSS**

- 1 Money on the Web
- 6 Kind of palm tree
- 10 "Angel"; Mae West film
- 14 Broadway's Rivera
- 15 Fed under Ness
- 16 Chesapeake Bay catch
- 17 "Fanny" composer and lyricist
- 19 Waffle brand
- 20 Handwriting on the wall
- 21 Coupling device
- 22 Get \_\_\_ of one's own medicine
- 23 Course of study for future docs
- 25 River that forms at Pittsburgh
- 26 "Mallrats" costar
- 31 Approximately
- 34 Hard to handle
- 35 Fluffy wrap
- 36 Belled out
- 37 Wood for crafts and rafts
- 39 Fun house feature
- 40 Social beverage
- 41 Ticked off
- 42 Second careers for thoroughbreds
- 43 "God Bless America" writer
- 47 Slaughter of baseball
- 48 Less arduous
- 51 "You are here" symbol
- 53 Texas city, familiarly
- 55 Lunch or dinner
- 57 Pained cry
- 58 Frequent "Happy Days" director
- 60 Boo Boo's buddy
- 61 Lotion additive
- 62 Youngest of Chekhov's "Three Sisters"
- 63 "Ignore that change," to a printer
- 64 Covet
- 65 Experimental bomb blast, briefly

**DOWN**

- 1 Parrot
- 2 Tileholder
- 3 ABC or NBC, e.g.
- 4 Moonshine container
- 5 Henry V, as a prince
- 6 Walked with purpose
- 7 Frantic way to run
- 8 Clue, e.g.
- 9 1300 hours
- 10 Stranded at O'Hare, perhaps
- 11 Hershey's product
- 12 Bothers persistently
- 13 One of the reeds
- 18 Salon colorist
- 22 Sailor's call
- 24 Player at the new Citi Field
- 25 Paella pot
- 27 Brouhaha
- 28 "Absolutely!"
- 29 Exude, as confidence
- 30 Aberdeen turndowns
- 31 Piedmont wine area
- 32 '30s heavyweight champ Max
- 33 As often as not
- 37 Wet, spongy areas
- 38 Wall St. hedger
- 39 Many a gas station store
- 41 Winter coat?
- 42 Charlotte, to Anne or Emily
- 44 A party to the plot
- 45 Be sorry for
- 46 Tramp's love
- 49 Beyond unusual
- 50 Pours or drizzles
- 51 Grant and Carter
- 52 Plant anchor
- 53 "Dracula" star
- 54 Appliance on a board
- 56 D.A.-to-be's exam
- 58 Chew the fat
- 59 ATM user's need

By Joan Buell

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# Lubbock plays host to College Baseball Hall of Fame

By **CHRISTOPHER MARTIN**  
STAFF WRITER

Lubbock grabbed a piece of the national spotlight Friday as it hosted the 2009 College Baseball Hall of Fame induction, which featured two inductees from the state of Texas.

The induction ceremonies were July 3, and the Hall of Fame inductees were featured in the 4th on Broadway parade. The College Baseball Foundation also sponsored an autograph session and a VIP dinner during the festivities.

Two of the inductees didn't have to travel far for the ceremony: Kirk Dressendorfer and Keith Moreland, both from the University of Texas. Both players were impressed with the fans from Lubbock and said they appreciated what felt like a home-town reception.

"Lubbock has always been a special place for me, I almost came to school at Tech, and the

people have always been fantastic," Dressendorfer said. "So being able to be inducted in Texas where all of my family and friends could be here is wonderful."

Dressendorfer was a three-time All-American pitcher for Texas and posted a collegiate career record of 45-8. He was drafted by Major League Baseball's Oakland Athletics in 1990 where he remained until the end of his career.

Dressendorfer said being inducted into the Hall of Fame is an experience he will never forget and is one of the happiest moments of his life.

"I have had a lot of great things happen in my life but this is at the very top of the list," Dressendorfer said. "When I look at this list of guys who are a part of the Hall of Fame I am just so humbled; I am proud to be a part of that group."

His fellow Longhorn was a three-time All-American third baseman and was a co-captain

on the national championship team of 1975. Moreland spent 12 seasons in the Major Leagues playing in Philadelphia, Chicago, San Diego, Detroit and Baltimore.

Moreland now broadcasts Texas' football and baseball games and lives in Austin. After being inducted into the Hall of Fame, Moreland said he is still adjusting to the reality of being among baseball's greatest.

"Anyone who is not humbled by this experience just can't be human," he said. "It has been an incredible experience with the city of Lubbock and Texas Tech, and I am excited to be included in some of the great names that this hall of fame has."

The inductees were able to share in each other's happiness this week as Lubbock paid tribute to the best in collegiate baseball, and Moreland said being a part of his peers' excitement was the highlight of his week.

"I think the emotions that I have seen within my fellow peers about being inducted have been the greatest part of this week," Moreland said. "I knew I was excited about receiving this honor but to see that excitement on everyone else's face was a real joy for me."

The other Hall of Fame inductees for 2009 were Joe Carter, Darren Dreifort, Gordie Gillespie, Barry Larkin, Rafael Palmeiro, Ron Polk, Branch Rickey and Todd Walker.

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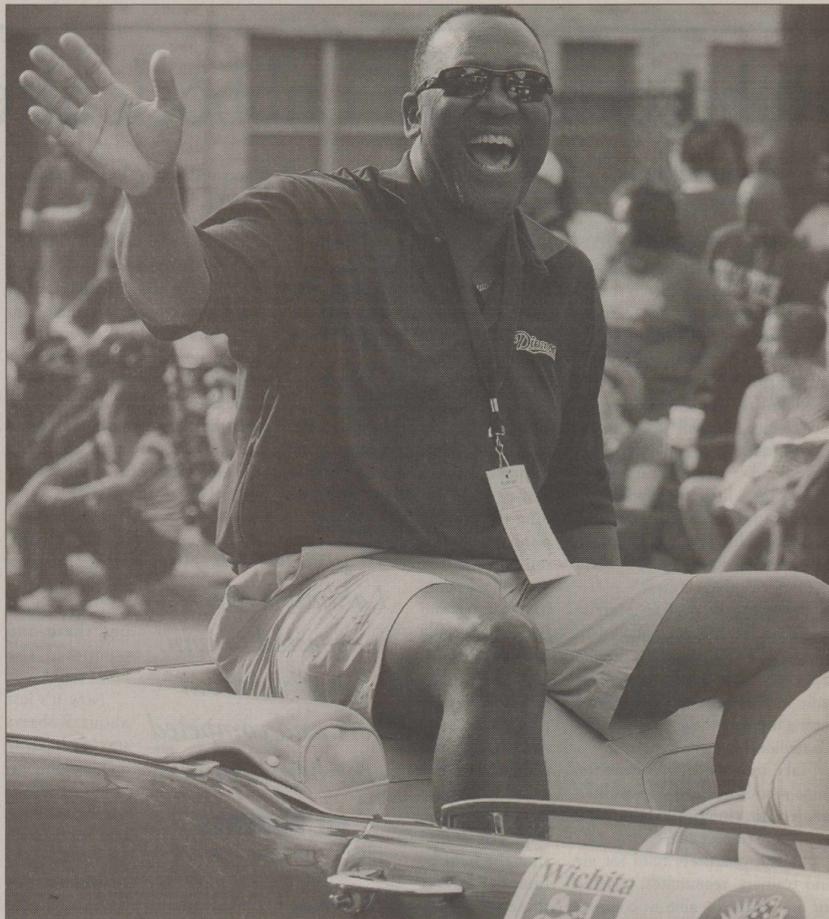


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HALL OF FAME inductee Joe Carter, who won back-to-back World Series titles in 1992 and 1993 with Major League Baseball's Toronto Blue Jays waves to the crowd during the parade Saturday in Lubbock. Carter was inducted for his stellar career at Wichita State.

*"I think the emotions that I have seen within my fellow peers about being inducted have been the greatest part of this week."*

**KEITH MORELAND**  
Former third baseman at UT  
Hall of Fame inductee

## NASCAR asks court to put driver back on suspension

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — NASCAR asked a federal judge Monday to reverse the ruling that lifted driver Jeremy Mayfield's indefinite suspension for failing a random drug test.

The motion filed in U.S. District

Court asked Judge Graham Mullen to reverse the injunction he issued last Wednesday that cleared Mayfield to return to competition. NASCAR also filed notice of its intent to appeal to the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va.

Mayfield was suspended May 9 for a failed drug test, and NASCAR has identified the substance as methamphetamine.

Despite his reinstatement, Mayfield is not on the entry list for this weekend's race at Chicago.

## Former coach Fisher remembers McNair

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — An emotional Jeff Fisher says his former quarterback Steve McNair was a "great person" who put the Tennessee Titans' franchise on the NFL map.

The Titans coach Monday called the slain quarterback one of the "great-

est competitors of all time on the field." Fisher was the only coach McNair had for the first 11 years of his NFL career, and the coach said McNair's legacy is what he did on the field and in the community.

"The Steve McNair that I knew

would want me to say, 'I'm sorry. I'm not perfect. We all make decisions sometimes that are not in the best interests. Please forgive me. Celebrate my life for what I did on the field, for what I did in the community, the kind of teammate that I was,'" Fisher said.

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## Roberts back in Lubbock after making US National Team

By ALEX YBARRA  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

While standing next to 2008 Olympic gold medalist LaShawn Merritt and other top-notch sprinters during the recent U.S. Outdoor Track and Field Championships, Texas Tech sophomore Gil Roberts was star struck.

"The first day was the biggest shock for me," he said. "Just warming up with those guys and everything, it was kind of weird. I was kind of shaken up a little bit; had to get myself into my own little world. I'm used to watching them compete on TV. Me being able to stand by them and run with them is crazy."

Finishing second to Merritt (44.50) in the 400 meter finals with a time of 44.93 was even crazier, especially after Roberts pulled up lame with a slight quadricep injury during the semifinals of the NCAA Championship meet in June.

Take into account Roberts ran three rounds in three days without any recurring injuries and the feat is even more respectable.

"It was definitely hard for me and trainers, teammates, coaches for me not to be able to compete at (NCAA Championships)," said Roberts, who was back to training in Lubbock on Thursday. "But coming back and coach sending me to the training room everyday and just jogging, I got back to where I needed to be in two weeks. I'm going to Berlin now."

With the second-place finish, Roberts clinched a spot on the U.S. 400-meter team for this summer's World Championships in Berlin,

where the top six will be in a pool for the 1,600-meter relay.

Roberts will attend summer school classes at Tech and continue to train before leaving Aug. 7 to Berlin, where they will have the relay pool on Aug. 9 and Aug. 10 working on handoffs before he begins racing Aug. 18.

"In all my 28 years of coaching, I've really never had a kid get hurt at an NCAA and then be able to come back at a World Championships or Olympic Trials," Tech coach Wes Kittley said. "You're not just running the NCAA people. You're running the best the United States has to offer and the Olympic gold medal winner."

"That was probably the most proudest thing and the most hardest thing for him to do, to go through rounds. If it had been one race, I thought he'd be fine, but having three races, it really showed me that he had tremendous character and a lot of fortitude to get through that."

Other sprinters Roberts defeated were David Neville, Darold Williamson and Kerron Clement, who won gold for the U.S. 1,600-meter relay team in Beijing in 2008. At the same Olympics, Neville won gold on the 1,600 relay team and bronze in the 400-meter race.

"He ran down the back stretch,

it was real windy. In that position to run a 44 is pretty good against those people. You never know how he's gonna react to those pro guys. He just didn't respect them, bottom line," Kittley said. "He did, I mean that in a good way. He was like, 'I'm just gonna run.' I said, 'Don't even worry about what they do, you just go out hard, relax and run your race. Make them catch you, let's just see what they do. You have nothing to lose.'"

That's exactly the mindset Roberts had during the race.

"No pressure on you, LaShawn Merritt is expected to win," he said. "I just went out there and competed the best I could."

Now it's just about Roberts staying healthy and avoiding injuries for the next few weeks. Assistant track coach Dion Miller said Roberts has what

it takes to run a 44.50, which is what Merritt ran to win the race, but it will take more consistency.

But Roberts said he doesn't have a target time in mind at the moment, he just wants to run "fast enough to win."

"Once you're at that stage in the situation I'm in, I don't think that time really matters," he said. "Time doesn't really matter anymore, place matters. I'm just trying to get first."

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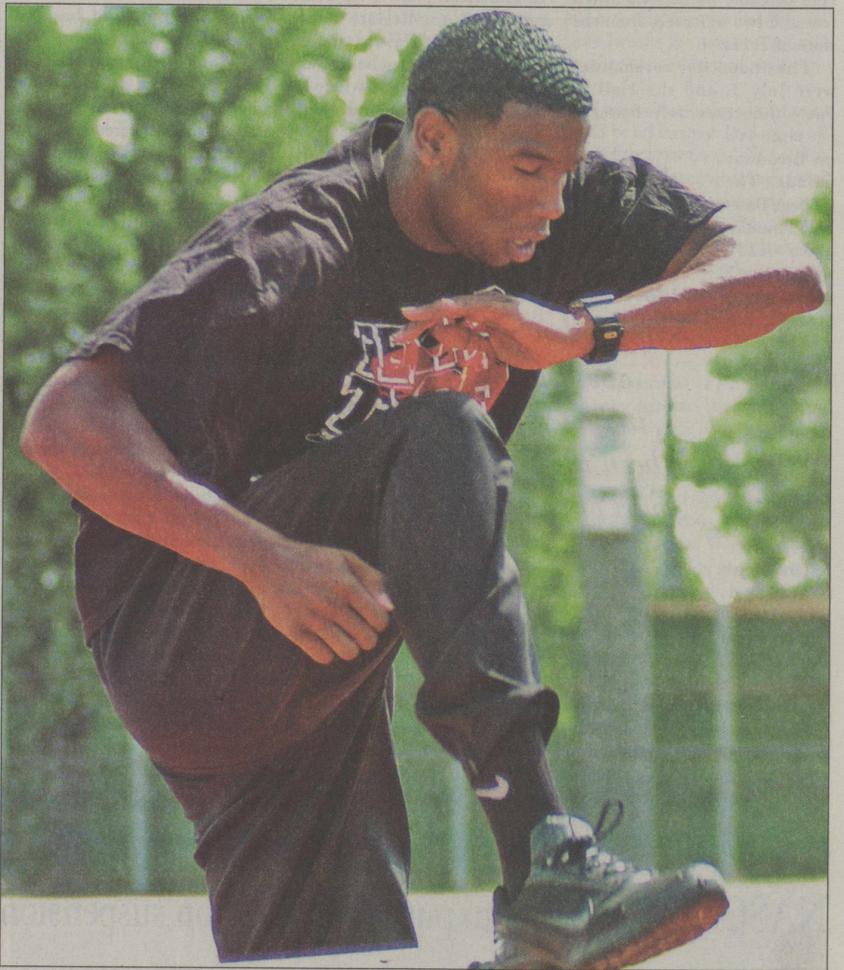
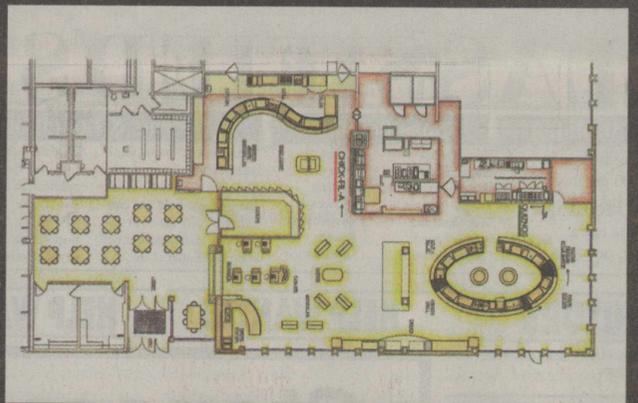


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TEXAS TECH SOPHOMORE Gil Roberts warms up at the Terry and Linda Fuller Track at Tech Thursday. Roberts finished second in the 400-meter finals at the U.S. Outdoor Track and Field Championships on June 27.

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